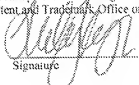


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In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2009, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 17, 2009, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the claims based on the following.